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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>Applicant:</b>	P. K. Chakravarty, et al.	
<b>Serial No.:</b>	10/553,554	<b>Case No.:</b> 21375YP
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<b>For:</b>	Biaryl Substituted Thiazoles, Oxazoles and Imidazoles as Sodium Channel Blockers	

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**NON COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

This Amendment is in response to the official action of June 24, 2009, for which a response is required July 24, 2009. The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the following remarks and amendments to the claims.

Any additional fees associated with this Amendment may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.